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Should Women Work?

By MAX NORDAU.

If woman should become the serious rival of man in many branches of industry, she would, as the weaker, be crushed without consideration. Galantry is an invention of prosperity and leisure. Want and hunger destroy this sentiment upon which woman calculates when she imagines a world in which she could wrestle with man for her daily bread.

The most difficult and the most indispensable kinds of work man alone must undertake; he will rate them higher than those performed by woman, and, as at present, woman's labor will always receive a smaller remuneration than his. Why? Because he has the strength to make his views into laws and to accomplish his will, for no other reason.

Woman is accorded a high and dignified position in our civilization, because she is acquiescent, because she is content to be the complement of man, and to acknowledge his material supremacy. In fact, if she attempts to question it, she is soon compelled to recognize its actuality.

The fully emancipated woman, entirely independent of man, and in many cases his enemy, when their conflicting interests clash, must soon be crowded into the corner. It is in such a case a genuine wrestling match, and there can be no question as to which would succumb first.

This emancipation would bring man and woman necessarily into the relation of a higher and lower race—for man is better equipped for the struggle for existence and competency than woman—with the result that the latter would be brought into a far worse condition of dependence and slavery than that condition from which this emancipation is to release her.

The aim of the emancipation preacher is to make it possible for woman to live without man and to renounce matrimony. This method of curing the evil is about as efficacious as that of some philanthropist who might give lectures during a time of famine on the subject of how man could be weaned most effectually from the habit of eating. The question would be, how to supply the hungry with food, not how to teach them to do without it. And the little band of self-consciously independent of man, and in many cases his enemy, when their conflicting interests clash, must soon be crowded into the corner. It is in such a case a genuine wrestling match, and there can be no question as to which would succumb first.

civilization ought not to persuade and make it possible for woman to renounce marriage, but should try to secure for her her natural share in the love-life of humanity.

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I now assert that it is the duty of society to care for its children, to educate them completely, and as often as is necessary to support them until they become capable of supporting themselves.

The community owes protection and support to woman. Man's part in the life of the species is that of the breadwinner, the preserver and defender of the living generation; woman's part is that of the preserver and defender of the future generations, the improver of the race by natural selection, as she excites strife between the men of which she is the prize, and in which the ablest competitors secure the most valuable spoils.

As a child the girl should receive the advantages of the public education of the young, and later, it is necessary, she should be entitled to complete support, either in her parents' house or in a separate home of her own.

Society should look upon it as a disgrace if any woman, young or old, beautiful or ugly, should feel the pang of want in any civilized community. In a society reorganized upon these principles, in which woman should have no anxiety in regard to her daily bread, knowing that she is protected from want in any case, whether married or single, in which the children would be supported and educated by the community, in which the man could not expect to buy as many women with his money as he now does, because hunger would no longer be his go-between—such a society woman would soon marry from genuine affection; the spectacle of old men having fondly attached husbands would be as rare as that of old bachelors, who enjoy in their free, licentious life all the pleasures, with none of the moral burdens or limitations of matrimony, and prostitution would only be practiced by a small number of degenerate beings, who can only breathe in corruption and infamy, and whose unbridled impulses are without the slightest value for the preservation of the species.

When material considerations enter no longer into the contracting of a marriage, when woman is free to choose and is not compelled to sell herself, when man is obliged to compete for woman's favor with his personality and not with his social position and property, then the institution of matrimony will become a truth instead of the lie it is now, the sacred and sublime spirit of nature will bless every embrace every child will be born surrounded by the love of its parents as with a halo, and will receive as its first birthright the strength and vitality with which every couple which has been united by the attraction of affinity endows its offspring.

Suffolk Social News.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SUFFOLK, Va., Dec. 25.—The engagement of Miss Ives Barrow, of Smithfield, to P. Walker Turner, of Emporia, has been announced. The bride-to-be is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Barrow, Smithfield. John E. Taylor left Wednesday to join Mrs. Taylor at Bridgetown, N. J., where she has for several weeks been a guest of friends.

The following students of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute arrived Wednesday to pass the holidays at home: W. A. McPadden, Otis Smith, Howard Luke, Ernest Saunders, Harrison Bell, Herman Hawkins, Marion Hill, Randolph Graham and Marion Crocker.

John F. Pinner is home from University of Virginia.

Mrs. John F. Lotz and son have gone to Norfolk to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. C. W. Jenkins will entertain the

Suit Sale

Lot 1.
Your pick of 150 Fine Broadcloths, Serges and Worsteds. Our best selling styles this season.
Values, \$29.50, \$35.00, \$39.50.
Sale price,
\$24.50

Lot 2.
One Stone Green Broadcloth Suit, size 36. Value \$115.00.
Sale price, \$55.00.
One Olive Green Broadcloth Suit, size 38. Value \$135.00.
Sale price, \$65.00.
One Old Rose Venetian Cord Suit, size 38. Value \$145.00.
Sale price, \$65.00.
Two Black Broadcloth Suits, sizes 34 and 38. Value \$85.00.
Sale price, \$47.50.
Six Fine Broadcloth Suits, old rose, heliotrope, navy; sizes 36 and 38. Value \$45.00.
Sale price, \$29.50.

TAILORED SUITS

This sale of Tailored Suits asserts its value-giving character in the most decided manner to-morrow.

We've grouped these Handsome Suits into four lots, and have marked them for quick clearance. This event will make record selling in this popular Suit Section.

Every new style is embodied in the lot; very popular fabric is employed in their make-up. There's no doubt that these lots will go quickly—so advise early choosing.

Suit Sale

Lot 3.
Your pick from 250 Plain Tailored Broadcloths, Serges, Worsteds, Half-fats, Tweeds, Gray Worsteds and Cheviots.
Stunning styles. Fit and workmanship up to our usual standard.
Values, \$17.50, \$18.90, \$21.90.
Sale price,
\$11.90

Lot 4.
A stunning assortment of 100 Suits—Gray Stripe Worsteds, Plain Colored Serges, Colored Broadcloths; the plain 45 and 48-inch Coat Suits; best linings; perfect in fit and tailoring.
The \$22.50, \$24.50, \$27.50 Values,
Sale price,
\$18.90

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Suit Sale

150 Suits Must Be Sold at This Store This Week

We are going to sell these Suits at such low prices that no woman in Richmond can afford not to buy one, even though she may have several in her wardrobe. The reason is simply this: We ran across a manufacturer who had two or three bolts of special dress goods, not enough to make up samples from, so we made him an offer at about one-half. He took us up, and we received them on Saturday morning. We are describing two of them below:

\$12.85 SUITS, WORTH \$19.00.	\$14.85 SUITS, WORTH \$25.00 AND \$29.00.	COAT VALUES EXCEPTIONAL.
These Suits are all made in the latest styles of broadcloth and self-colored striped serges, 42 and 45-inch coats, satin lined and Moret collars, cluster plaited skirts, in Catawba, navy blue, smoke and black. Worth \$19.00; this week \$12.85	These Suits are absolute wonders, made from hard-finished worsteds and self-colored striped suitings, mannish effects, fine silk-finished French serges. The coats are 50 inches long, and numerous styles to select from; the three-button effects are particularly attractive, also the cluster plaited skirts. Remember, the value is \$25.00 and \$29.00, the price is only \$14.85	We call especial attention to this special item. They are made of broadcloth, 52 and 54 inches long, in grays and blacks; some are satin lined, others unlined; some trimmed, others untrimmed, also shawl collar effect. They were priced at \$15.00 and \$17.50, but this week will be sold at \$9.95

By No Means Overlook These Specials

Bleached Sheets, double-bed size; 59c value; all this week, 41c.
Vellain Flannels, in large assortment of patterns, 12½c value, 7½c.

Handkerchief Sale

All Linen Initialed Handkerchiefs, neatly boxed, 10c value, 5c.
All Linen Initialed Handkerchiefs, extra fine quality, 15c value, 10c.

Leather Bag Bargains

Two big bargains in Leather Bags. The first is of high-grade leather with German silver frame; regular \$1.00 value; this week only 59c.
The second item is a large bottom, extra fine leather, also leather lined; a genuine bargain at \$1.50; all this week, 95c.

Kid Glove Extras

Just received a new supply of special value Kid Gloves, black, white and all colors \$1.25 value; your choice for this week, 98c.

Bear Skin Coats

For children, all white; worth \$4.00; special price for to-morrow will be only \$2.25.

Ladies' and Misses' Sweaters, \$3 value, \$1.98.

Sale of Comforts and Blankets

These cold nights demand warm bed coverings, and there is no reason why any person in Richmond should not have an abundant supply. Look at these prices:
Laminated Comforts, covered with silk-linen, large size, \$2.00 value, \$1.25.
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Wool Blankets, 11-4 size, weighing 5 pounds, blue and pink borders; \$5.00 value, \$3.98.
Wool Nap Blankets, soft and medium weight; \$1.50 value, 98c.

Kno-tair, a Wonderful Hose

A gift that will please, serve, satisfy! "The guaranteed Hose of quality," put up in beautiful holiday boxes, are full fashioned with 10-inch garter top; guaranteed to wear six months; six pairs, only \$1.98.

Yes, Give Her Furs!

And buy them from our great stock! Save on every purchase! Get them to-morrow.

New line of Special Furs—Among the rare furs in our handsome stock we wish to call especial attention to the following: New stylish makes, Neckpiece and Muffs, almost one-half price, \$9.98, \$7.98, \$5.98 and \$2.98.
A Jap Mink Special—Shawl effect, neckpiece, 12 tails, with rug muff. This deserves special mention, as it is one of the best sets we ever saw, and the price is so low it is in the reach of almost every purse; \$35.00 value; special, \$19.00.

Pick Your Gifts From This List

Leather Bags, heavy German silver; formerly sold for \$1.00; nothing better as a gift. To-morrow take your choice for 59c.

A Dollar and a Half Value in Leather Bags—Double strap handle and coin purse; to-morrow these will sell at only 95c.

Ladies' Kid Gloves, black, white and colors; \$1.25 value, 98c.

Automobile Scarfs, all colors and figures; two yards long. To-morrow you get a \$1.00 quality at only 50c.

New Net Jabots, several patterns to select from and strictly \$1.00 quality; reduced to 49c.

Another lot, in large assortment of patterns and strictly a 50c pattern, for 25c.

A big stock of Combs, amber and shell, set with white stones; 95c and 75c value; reduced to 50c.

The most popular in fancy goods is the new style in Hair Goods; large show bulbs, 98c and 75c values, 50c.

CHILDREN'S FUR SETS.

These are perfect beauties, and happy is the little one who gets one. The colors are white, gray and brown, and the prices are \$2.48, \$1.50 and 98c.
An imitation Lynx—After looking every where else in town you will come back and buy this set if you will only look at it first. Large shawl effect neckpiece, with rug muff, \$14.98, \$7.98 and \$5.98.
It is a pretty sight to see the girl housekeeper doing her best with the money she has. To see her gauging the age of rabbits by their ears and claws, of poultry by their scaly legs and their thick quilts, of fish by lack of insipid eyes and dull scales, of meat by its color, scent and skin, one knows she had lessons in the management of her money, and will not allow herself to be cheated.

The Girl Housekeeper

By M. E. F. HYLAND.

When a girl reaches thirteen her weekly dime should be increased to 25 cents. Many small items of attire, such as gloves, stockings and collars, she will be able to see to herself through the dime.

The mother, having taught her wise spending, will begin to delegate some of her own offices to the child. She has to learn marketing properly, and before long the girl will be her for some time on her buying expeditions, then she allows her to take the reins for a week or so, checking her where she goes a little wrong.

She learns inspection of goods so that she can discriminate between the different brands of groceries, meat, fish and the like. She learns how to buy and what to buy. Market tables she studies so as to find out beforehand what things are in or out of season, and what the prices are. Then she is ready to meet any overcharge with the right knowledge.

She learns food values, knows what foods are good for, and knows which form flesh and build up the body. She learns when to buy in quantity, on account of certain things deteriorating through keeping.

She learns the enormous difference which exists between a cash account and a credit account. Her mother explains to her the value of saving, which her little weekly income or a dime for all these years will have prepared the ground of her mind to receive it all, and she is an apt pupil, able, willing and ready to take her mother's place in the home at a minute's notice.

When she has the reins, she gets her requisitions ready for the week, and with her mother, checks the items before going to the store. She knows how to get the most for her money at the grocer's, the butcher's or the baker's, and will not be cajoled into buying anything she does not need.

She knows her income and its limitations, and has learned how to restrict her wants rigidly. She will not give her orders blindly, but will see everything before she buys it. Meat, vegetables, groceries, milk, butter, eggs, fruit, poultry, she knows their points and reveals them. The tradespeople treat her right and respect her.

She is a good judge, and would get full weight in goods. She checks all her bills before paying them, so as to protect any mistake of her food or goods. Thus she compels extra care in attendance on the tradespeople's part.

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counter sweepings, when flour is mixed with cornmeal, when coffee is adulterated with chicory or dandelion root, when there is starch in cocoa or pepper, when there is linseed oil in mustard, when there are bits of lead in tea. She will not lay her precious money out on such things, far less will she pay first-class prices for inferior goods. At a glance she can detect when the cheese is skin-milk made or whole-milk, or whether it has had extra cream added. She knows the virtues and the merits of can goods.

It is as much her province in managing income, whether her own or her mother's, in her teens, to know food values, as it is to know money values. For the one is really equivalent to the other. Wise mothers, recognizing this, will see that their growing girls understand it also.

Onancock Social News.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ONANCOCK, Va., December 25.—Mrs. Alice M. Wise and two children, of Emporia, are visiting Captain and Mrs. Webster Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Meers, of Freehold, N. J., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Meers.

Miss Pauline Horsey, of Horsey, recently a guest at the home of Mrs. Everett Parker, has returned home.

Miss Annita George, of Georgetown, Del., is at "Melrose," the home of Mrs. R. L. Shild.

Miss Madeline Rich, of Norfolk, is spending the holidays in Onancock.

Mrs. Thomas Downing, of Frankfort, is at the home of Mrs. F. B. Lewis.

Misses Bessie and Constance S. Taylor, teachers of Latin and mathematics in the Manchester High School; W. Henry Powell, a student at Richmond College, and Masters Robert S. and Spencer W. Hopkins, of St. John's College, are spending Christmas at home.

Superintendent G. G. Joynes gave an interesting lecture to the normal and graduating classes at the High School Monday afternoon on "The Hand of Providence in History."

Dr. Frederick A. Powell, of Sioux City, Iowa, is with relatives here for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Cahall, of Georgetown, Del., are at "San Souci," the home of Mrs. B. K. Powell, for the holidays.

A. S. Kellam, of Wachapreague, has returned from University Hospital, Baltimore, much improved.

The usual visit of Santa Claus to the Sunday-schools of our churches will be made. He is booked for the Episcopal Church at 7 o'clock Christmas morning; at the M. E. Church, South, at night; the M. B. Church Monday afternoon, and the Baptist Church Friday evening, December 31. At the last named an entertainment will be given.

Miss Inez Jones and Miss Idello McNeal, of Fairport, Va., students of the High School, are spending the holidays at home.

Weldon Social News.
WELDON, N. C., December 25.—The Thursday Afternoon Club met this week with Mrs. William Mercer Cohen

on Washington Avenue. The decorations were suggestive of the holiday season, the color scheme being most beautifully carried out. Upon the arrival of the guests, Mrs. George C. Green served punch, and then followed a "Puzzle Box Party." Mrs. Edwin T. Zollcoffer won first prize, which she graciously presented to the guest of honor, Mrs. B. G. Green, of Warrenton. The consolation prize was awarded to Mrs. Cooper W. Gregory. A delicious salad course followed, served by Mrs. W. L. Scott, and Miss Mary Long Green. Members of the club present were as follows: Mesdames W. A. Pierce, J. B. Zollcoffer, A. E. Wilson, O. W. Pierce, W. E. Daniel, E. T. Zollcoffer, W. T. Shaw, R. S. Travis, T. C. Harrison and the hostess, Mrs. W. M. Cohen; Misses Annie Musgrove and Susie Zollcoffer.

Other guests were present, as follows:

Mrs. B. G. Green, of Warrenton; Mrs. J. L. Shepherd, of South Weldon; Mrs. W. R. Smith and Mrs. J. S. Turner, of Weldon; Misses Grace and Mary Day Faison, of Raleigh. Miss Helen Pope is hostess at a delightful house party for the holiday season. Her guests are Misses Mary and Eliza Higgs, of Greenville; Miss Margaret Watkins, of Norfolk; Mr. Berry and J. Owen Pope, of Norfolk. Several entertainments are being planned in their honor.

Terry Brown, of Charlottesville, Va., is here to spend the holidays with his sister, Mrs. R. H. Latham.

Miss Annie W. Pierce has returned home from a visit to Miss Nellie Lyons, in Richmond.

Miss Virginia Leigh, of Petersburg, is spending the holiday season with relatives here.

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